

## **HOUSE BILL No. 1565**

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Citations Affected: IC 25-22.5.

**Synopsis:** Temporary medical permits for foreign physicians. Permits a person who has obtained a license to practice medicine outside the United States or Canada to obtain a temporary medical permit under certain circumstances.

Effective: July 1, 2003.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning professions and occupations.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. IC 25-22.5-5-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 4. (a) The board may
authorize the service bureau to issue temporary medical permits for the
practice of medicine or osteopathic medicine. When a temporary
medical permit is issued, it is subject to any termination date specified
by the board. A temporary medical permit may be issued to any person
who:

- (1) has completed the academic requirements for the degree of doctor of medicine or doctor of osteopathy from a medical school approved by the board; and
- (2) desires to obtain postgraduate medical education or training in a medical education institution or hospital located in Indiana which has standards for postgraduate medical education and training satisfactory to the board;

is required to obtain a temporary medical permit unless the graduate possesses an unlimited license to practice medicine or osteopathic medicine in Indiana. Application for the permit must be made to the

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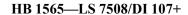
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1	board subject to this article. A temporary medical permit issued to a
2	person under this subsection for purposes of postgraduate training is
3	valid for a period of one (1) year and may be renewed for additional
4	one (1) year periods at the discretion of the board.
5	(b) The board may issue a temporary medical permit to a
6	graduate of a school located outside the United States, its
7	possessions, or Canada if the graduate:
8	(1) has completed the academic requirements for the degree
9	of doctor of medicine or doctor of osteopathy from a medical
10	school approved by the board;
11	(2) has been accepted into postgraduate medical education or
12	training in a medical education institution or hospital located
13	in Indiana that has standards for postgraduate medical
14	education and training satisfactory to the board;
15	(3) provides the board with at least two (2) letters of reference
16	documenting the individual's character; and
17	(4) demonstrates to the board that the individual is a
18	physician of good character who is in good standing outside
19	the United States, its possessions, or Canada where the person
20	normally would practice.
21	Applications for the temporary medical permit for graduates of
22	foreign medical schools must be made to the board subject to this
23	article. A license issued under this subsection expires one (1) year
24	after the date it is issued.
25	(c) An individual who applies for a temporary medical permit
26	under subsection (b) is not required to take any step of the United
27	States Medical Licensure Equivalent or the Comprehensive
28	Osteopathic Medical Licensing Examination.
29	(d) A medical educational institution located in Indiana which has
30	standards satisfactory to the board may, in the board's discretion, secure
31	from it a permit for a person in the active practice of medicine outside
32	the state of Indiana or the United States, but who is not licensed in
33	Indiana, to teach medicine in the institution for an annually renewable
34	period not to exceed one (1) year by filing with the board an
35	application by the institution and the person certifying:
36	(1) the person's professional qualifications;
37	(2) the term of the teaching appointment;
38	(2) the term of the teaching appointment,
50	(3) the medical subjects to be taught; and
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"temporary medical teaching permit" which authorizes the person to

teach medicine in the applicant institution for a stated period not to

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exceed one (1) year. This permit must be kept in the possession of the
institution and surrendered by it to the board for cancellation within
thirty (30) days after the person has ceased teaching in the institution.
The permit authorizes the person to practice in the institution only and,
in the course of teaching, to practice those medical or osteopathic
medical acts as are usually and customarily performed by a physician
teaching in a medical educational institution, but does not authorize the
person to practice medicine or osteopathic medicine otherwise.

- (c) (e) Any medical educational institution in this state which authorizes or permits a physician to violate this article or which itself violates this section may, in the discretion of the board, be disqualified from further receiving the benefits of this section.
- (d) (f) The board may authorize the issuance of a temporary medical permit to a person who will be taking in Indiana for the first time the examination or portion of the examination required by the board. A temporary medical permit holder under this subsection shall work under the supervision of a licensed physician, who is in good standing with the board, until the results of the examination taken by the permit holder are published by the board. If the holder of a temporary medical permit under this subsection fails the examination, the board may reissue a temporary medical permit to the holder upon conditions, and for a period of time, that the board considers appropriate.
- (e) (g) A person who holds a valid license to practice medicine or osteopathic medicine in the United States, its possessions, or Canada, and who is seeking licensure by endorsement, may be issued a temporary medical permit by the service bureau upon the authorization of the board. A temporary medical permit issued under this subsection is valid for ninety (90) days or for a period considered appropriate by the board.
- (f) (h) A person who is licensed to practice medicine or osteopathic medicine by any board or licensing agency of another state or jurisdiction, and who meets the requirements established by the board under IC 25-22.5-2-7, may be issued a temporary medical permit limited by terms and conditions considered appropriate by the board. A temporary medical permit issued under this subsection is valid for a nonrenewable period of no more than thirty (30) days.

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## COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Public Health, to which was referred House Bill 1565, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill do pass.

BROWN C, Chair

Committee Vote: yeas 11, nays 0.

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